



Yosemite National Park: One of the most attractive times of the year to visit the Yosemite Valley is during the month of May when the waterfalls are booming, early spring is in the air, and the crowd has not arrived in force. It is then as mountain areas are meant to be, free from the unnatural appendages of too many persons in evidence. Later the Yosemite Valley becomes crowded with visitors, leading to a magnificent outdoor environment much of the cheapness and commonness of the crowded beach resort during a Sunday afternoon.

If you wish to see the Yosemite under the best conditions visit it early in the season or during the winter months when snow adorns the surrounding cliffs and lies on the valley floor. The crowds begin to pour in the latter part of June, the artificial amusements get under way; the human activities are completely out of tune with the surroundings. Desecration is then the only term descriptive of the plight of this mountain shrine. Possibly you have read the article by Albert Atwood published in the Saturday Evening Post several years ago, touching upon the situation. The National Parks are face to face with commercialism that threatens the existence of the purpose for which they were set aside for the people of this country.

We took the "back road" from Fresno, leading through Aubrey, Bass Lake, Fish Camp and Wawona. It traverses a beautiful section of the lower mountain slope, the foothills and the pine forest section. At Bass Lake we slept in the open under the yellow pines and the stars. Bass Lake is a beautiful spot early in the year, but later it becomes so infested with people and power boats that it is a real pleasure to retreat to the higher mountain areas.

At the Wawona checking station we decided to go directly to the Valley and not visit the Wawona big trees. We rolled along the Wawona road, through the tunnel, stopping for a few minutes at the east portal to look upon the Yosemite Valley. It was only a short run to Camp 14, where we sought out a favorite camping site facing Stoneman Meadow. We wondered if two old friends would be there to greet us and if they would truly be pleased that we were back.

Sure enough, we were no more than out of the car than they flew down, with a great outburst of vociferous welcome or it might have been indignation. Just a pair of noisy bluejays. The cause of the doubtfulness of our welcome was a trick played upon them two years ago. Now bluejays are rather forward fellows that accept the world as their particular haven. They are noisy, always in evidence and at times quite rude; moreover, they are smart, the combination at times making them almost obnoxious.

Bluejays like unshelled peanuts. They are willing, to a certain extent, to earn them by catching them on the wing when they are thrown into the air. Now a bluejay is indefatigable in this game, consuming a large supply of peanuts in a limited time. He catches the peanut, flies a short distance and hides the peanut under the leaves and twigs. To make the peanuts last and to get more or less even with the bluejays for their impudent ways we would watch them hide the peanut, then go and retrieve it, that is, if we could find it. Our batting average in this play was only about fifty per cent which meant that it was only a matter of time until the bluejays had the entire supply of peanuts. Then to our amazement, when our supply of peanuts had disappeared, the bluejays would go to the very place where we had looked diligently and dig out a peanut, fly to a limb and there proceed to eat it.

This went on for some days until someone got a bright idea. A peanut was tied to a long strong thread and then the free end of the thread tied to a limb in a tree. One of the bluejays looked at the peanut some time, then hopped onto a lower limb, grabbed the peanut and tried to pull it toward him. He was greatly puzzled.

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PALM SPRINGS MEN PROMOTE HUGE HOTEL PROJECT IN NEVADA

Robert Foehl, assistant manager of El Mirador the past two seasons, and Travis Rogers, manager of Rogers' stables, are two of the incorporators of a hotel and club project near Mead Lake and Boulder Dam. The San Bernardino Sun had this to say of the project:

A \$2,500,000 resort on an 850-acre tract three miles from Las Vegas, Nev., will be built by a company which includes Travis Rogers and Robert Foehl.

Work will begin soon on the first unit of the resort. The hotel will be of Spanish architecture, consisting of private cottages, elaborate casino, large outdoor dining room, spa and swimming pool, race track and a golf course.

The company plans to make the property one of the most fashionable resorts in the West and the casino will be operated under Nevada laws and the race track will hold winter meets.

The hotel will be known as El Sonador, Spanish for "the dreamer." The first unit is expected to be completed by December.

The hotel will be 12 miles from Mead Lake, created by Boulder dam. The tract of land upon which the resort will be built is one of the largest single pieces of property in the district.

Frank V. Shannon, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, accompanied by Archie Palmer and Herb Samson, first and second vice-presidents of the organization, called on county officials in the court house at Riverside Monday to discuss Palm Springs affairs.

Dr. and Mrs. James B. Oliver and daughters, Susan and Anne, visited here on Tuesday, and Mrs. Oliver and the children returned to Balboa where they are spending the summer. Dr. Oliver recently returned from Santa Fe, N. M., where he was physician for a company from Paramount Studios.

The engagement of Hubert Crockett and Miss Helen Carithers has been announced, the wedding to take place in Long Beach on June 13. Mr. Crockett has been a resident here for a number of years and is manager of the fountain at El Paseo Pharmacy. Miss Carithers is a charming young lady and is a resident of Long Beach. She will be welcomed by the younger set when she comes to Palm Springs with her husband early next fall.

A. E. Plumley, a pioneer resident of Palm Springs, died last Sunday at the home of his daughter in Los Angeles. He was 88 years old at the time of his death. He was a familiar figure here for many years, and was affectionately known as "Dad" by his many friends. Surviving are his son, Glenn Plumley, real estate broker of Cathedral City and now a resident of Encinitas, and the daughter in Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Bruce Cregar, owners of the Palm Canyon Trading Post and Cregar's Indian Store, will leave the latter part of this week for a tour of Indian reservations which will take them as far north as Seattle, Washington. While away they will purchase additional stock from the reservations for their two local shops. They expect to return early this fall.

Two duplexes are under construction at the corner of Arenas and Cañulla Roads for Francis Crocker. The buildings will be of the Spanish type of architecture, and each apartment will be attractively designed, having a fireplace and other home-like features. John Clark is the architect and Charles G. Chamberlain the contractor. With the completion of the two duplexes, Mr. Crocker will have six rental units on that corner.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold J. Hicks and children, Jimmy and Gail, will leave for Buffalo, N. Y., June 27, on the new Union Pacific deluxe stream-line train, "City of Los Angeles." They will be away six weeks, and while in the East expect to visit with Mrs. Hicks' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey Birge.

Mrs. Ted Griffith underwent an operation in Loma Linda Hospital on Monday. Report from the bedside is that she is getting along as well as could be expected.

15 PALM SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WILL GET DIPLOMAS TONIGHT

Fifteen Palm Springs students are numbered among the 53 who will graduate from Banning Union High school tonight. They are:

Mae Buss, Gerald Crew, Geraldine Crew, Ruth Clark, Margaret Crossley, Jean Fulford, Georgia Goring, Joseph Henderson, June Lockhart, Barbara Elsterman, Norman Granger, Clifford Pierce, Raymond Thornton, Edwin Partridge and Danferd Haines.

STREBES AND WERTHEIMERS TO TOUR THE NORTHWEST

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Strebe and Mr. and Mrs. Al Wertheimer will leave early next week, in the Wertheimer sedan, for an extended tour of the Northwest. They will travel via Boulder City, Zion, Bryce, Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks. At Butte, Montana, they will secure pack animals and pack 75 miles into the high mountains to a private lake where fishing is said to be exceptionally good. After visiting Glacier National Park they expect to return via Banff and Lake Louise in the Canadian Rocky Mountains, and thence to Vancouver and down the coast route, either the Redwood or Pacific Highways. Oscar, the Wertheimer chauffeur, will be at the wheel, and another driver will follow the Lincoln in one of the Wertheimer cars packed to the roof with camping equipment. The Strebess may return early in July. While they are away, their small daughter, Geska Rae, will be at the Strebe ranch in the San Jacinto mountains with Mr. and Mrs. Dick Trummer.

Mrs. Ted Fulford and daughter, Jean, will spend the summer at the Maryland Hotel in Pasadena.

Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Koehler left for Palo Alto on Tuesday, where they will spend the summer. They spent the month of May at the Mission Inn, Riverside.

El Paseo Pharmacy will close for the summer, on Saturday evening. Harold Brown, the proprietor, has not announced his plans, other than that he and his staff will be on hand early in the fall to reopen the drug store. Charles Adams, registered pharmacist, will be employed at a drug store in Catalina all summer.

Have The Desert Sun follow you this summer.

TO BUILD 10-UNIT COURT SOON NEAR EL MIRADOR HOTEL

Lem Hancock, of Long Beach, this week purchased a corner north of El Mirador, and will improve the same this summer with a 10-unit bungalow court. Kenneth S. Wing, noted architect for Rolling Hills of Palos Verdes, has been engaged to prepare the plans for the court. The property was sold by Munholland & Co., realtors.

Munholland & Co. also announce the sale of a lot on Arenas Road, adjoining the H. W. Dorsett home, to Levering Moore of Los Angeles, who will build a home on the property this summer.

Mrs. Elizabeth Swallow of the Munholland agency reports the sale of a corner in Palm Springs Estates to Mrs. H. B. Hewitt of Hollywood for a home, and also a lot in Chino Canyon Estates to Robert Steffey, on which he will build a home this summer.

NUDIST CAMP FOR SAN JACINTO MOUNTAINS TO BE GUARDED BY DOGS

A nudist camp in the San Jacinto mountains is planned, according to report from Riverside. And it's going to be not very far away, for it will be located on 160 acres of the C. E. Bunker ranch. However lest there be a regular exodus from here it is well to announce beforehand that the camp will be guarded by savage German shepherd dogs.

However, there still remains some hope for the aspiring for "there will be no charge to persons wishing to attend this summer." Evidently the canines will respect the persons regularly enrolled. Those attending must bring their own bedding and nothing is said about clothes but that the land is "free from reptiles and insects."

Prof. Von Voss of Vienna, 57 year old nudist enthusiast, will be in charge. He claims to have been adjudged the world's most perfect specimen of muscular manhood. The Bunker land is near the C. C. C. camp at Kenworthy.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Wilson, residents of Indian Trail tract, are touring Southern California before returning to their summer home in Youngstown, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Hayes of the Palm Springs Garage will leave next Wednesday for Long Beach. During the summer Oran Buck will have charge of the garage.

COMMITTEE MEETS DAILY TO DRAFT ZONING ORDINANCE

Members of the special zoning committee are meeting at eight o'clock every morning at the Desert Inn to formulate a zoning ordinance which will be submitted to the district attorney and the county board of supervisors for adoption.

The committee's plan starts from present uses now established to insure attractive and interesting development in the future, and to protect property values by preventing unsightly construction in the future. The plan will be in line with the progressive development throughout the state where zoning ordinances are in force.

There are many phases of zoning that the committee is taking into consideration in order to draft an ordinance that will be enforceable. To accomplish this, the committee is making an extensive study of every section of Palm Springs, and they are investigating similar situations in other communities.

The various subdividers are meeting with the committee and are showing a willingness to conform to a unified plan.

At the first meeting with members of the county board of supervisors and county officials, a committee of 26 was appointed to draft zoning and building ordinances, with A. F. Hicks as chairman. From this committee a sub-committee of seven was appointed to concentrate on zoning. This sub-committee, which is meeting daily, is headed by Philip Boyd, and the other members are Francis Crocker, George Roberson, Chuck Morrison, Warren Pinney, A. F. Hicks, and Robert L. Edwards.

Another committee was appointed by Chairman Hicks to draft the building ordinance. This committee is also making an extensive survey and will prepare an ordinance that will insure the proper type of construction in the future.

Mrs. Austin G. McManus entertained a large group in her Santa Rosa cottage last Wednesday. The guests included Miss Annette Edwards, Mr. Bennett Brown, Miss Leticia Fairbanks, Mr. Philip Ormsby, Mrs. Frances Ledyard, Miss Marjorie Forline, Mr. Bill Heckler and Mr. Jack Burnham.

Mrs. Phyllis Bolin, assistant secretary of the Palm Springs Field Club, will leave on June 12 for Detroit, where she will visit her parents. While in the East she will take delivery on a new Ford V-8, which she will drive back to Palm Springs late this summer.

Little Jeremy Crocker, 22-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Crocker, suffered a very painful injury Monday when he fell out of his chair and cut his tongue. Dr. Jack Hill had to take two stitches to sew up the wound.

STATE PARKS WILL ATTRACT GREAT CROWDS DURING THE SUMMER

State park officials are preparing for record attendance this year, according to James A. Snook, chief of the division of parks.

Last year, nearly 7,000,000 persons visited state parks, Snook reported, stating that because of new facilities, together with an increasing consciousness of the recreational values of the centers, still greater attendance is expected this year.

Already upwards of 500,000 persons have visited state parks this year, Snook said.

The official said that California has seventy state parks, of which thirty-five have lake, stream or ocean fishing areas. Admission to the parks is free, it was pointed out, although it has been found advisable to make small charges for the maintenance of the facilities which the public demands for convenience and pleasure.

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WORK STARTS ON \$50,000 7-UNIT COURT FOR WALSH

Construction began this week on a \$50,000 bungalow court and swimming pool, in Las Palmas Estates, on Chino Canyon Drive, for William J. Walsh of Santa Monica. It will be a court of seven individual residences, with a large swimming pool in the center of the two and a half-acre tract. There will be three single units, three double units, office and servants' quarters, seven-car garage, and a filter room and heating plant for the swimming pool.

Lloyd G. Wood is the contractor and John Porter Clark the architect. The buildings will have green tile roofs and green shutter awnings. The project will be completed by September 1.

MANY REAL ESTATE DEALS ANNOUNCED BY RANSOM

The following real estate transactions are announced from the office of Robert Ransom:

Miss Ann Woods, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studio, lot in Palm Springs Desert Estates. Miss Woods plans to build this year.

Miss Edna M. Pearce (sister of Al and Cal Pearce), San Francisco, two lots in Palm Springs Desert Estates.

William W. Brophy, Los Angeles, two lots in Palm Springs Desert Estates. Plans to build a court this summer. All of the above sales were made by Joe Schobe representing the Mason Case Company.

Sales made by Roy E. Watson: One lot in Palo Verde Tract to W. G. Sney, South Gate, Calif.

Two lots in Desert Sands to Mrs. J. R. Taylor. Mr. Taylor operates Gray and Taylor Tile Contracting Company.

Two lots to Mr. and Mrs. John Rhone in Palo Verde Tract.

Personal sales of Robert Ransom are: L. D. Tompkins, vice-president, United States Rubber Company, hillside estate in Tahquitz Desert Estates.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Durkin of Los Angeles, San Francisco and New York, a large hill-top estate in Tahquitz Desert Estates.

Mrs. Foster Dudley, homesite in Tahquitz Desert Estates.

Fifty acres of the Stephens' Estates property to Morris Cohn of Los Angeles.

LIBRARY TO MOVE TO PLAZA IN FALL

Arrangements have been made to move the Palm Springs Public Library, also known as Alleyne's Library, to the Palm Springs Plaza next fall.

The board of directors hope to realize something from the sale of the two-story frame library building, now standing at the southwest corner of the Frances S. Stevens grammar school grounds.

The historic little building has many years sheltered the books donated by its friends, on the old Community church lot, and was, outside of the churches, practically the only community center in the early history of the village.

As the library is practically without any funds to carry on its important work, it would be very helpful if a fair price is realized from this sale.

Mr. and Mrs. William Marte made a circle tour, Saturday and Sunday, the points visited including Yuma and Quartzsite, Arizona, and Blythe. They report the roads are all in good condition and the scenery very interesting.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Stickles entertained with a dinner party at their home in the Santa Rosa tract, Tuesday evening, their guests being Misses Eva Ash and Ethelyn Smith, and Messrs. Owen Buck and Harry Brethaupt.

Anthony Burke, of the Raymond Cree agency, was in Los Angeles this week on a business trip. Miss Katherine Pollak of the same agency left Monday with Mrs. Gladys Banning for Pasadena for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Watkin of Universal Studios.

George Strebe and Ralph Marvin are operating the Lake Arrowhead Theatre for Earle Strebe this summer. Warren Strebe will remain here to look after the Palm Springs Theatre, but expects to go East to Indianapolis later in the summer. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Marvin are planning a trip for September.

Mrs. Harold Brown will leave for Philadelphia next week to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Childs.

Cast Glorifies Desert Drama



ROSALIND RUSSELL AND RONALD COLMAN

The sands of Sahara's flame with revolt and France's Foreign Legion fights and loves with gallantry again in 20th Century's "Under Two Flags," the tremendous drama spectacle which brings Ronald Colman, Claudette Colbert, Victor McLaglen and Rosalind Russell to the screen of the Palm Springs Theatre tonight and Saturday, June 5 and 6.

Telling the story of a man who is brought back from a self-imposed doom by the love of a woman, the new picture affords Colman and Miss Colbert the greatest opportunities of their unusual screen careers.

She is a hoydenish child of the des-

ert, madly in love with the charming Colman, but he in turn gives his heart to Rosalind Russell. When Colman's commander, Victor McLaglen, finds that this soldier stands between him and Miss Colbert, he makes every effort to destroy his subordinate by placing him in posts of danger.

The thundering climax shows how a Legion attack, headed by Miss Colbert rescues Colman from the tortures of the Arabs.

Gregory Ratoff, Nigel Bruce, C. Henry Gordon and Herbert Mundin are only a few of the illustrious names that grace the supporting cast of this production.

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JOHN PHILLIPS DESCRIBES EXTRA SESSION RESULT

by John Phillips

The weather in Sacramento was kind to the Legislature during the special session, turning from one of the hottest days of the season to days so cool that some southern county representatives would have welcomed coats. I hope the legislature was as kind to the citizens of California!

We were asked, by telegram, to come to Sacramento for a meeting at ten o'clock Monday morning, the 25th. This was a technicality. The official call was not issued until Monday morning. This was to give time for the decision as to whether or not other subjects than relief would be included, and if so, how many, or how few. The primary object of the special session was to provide money to carry on the necessary relief program between now, when the funds are exhausted, and July 1st, when the money already appropriated for the second year of the biennium, becomes available.

The call finally came to us carrying 14 separate matters to be discussed and voted upon, not including a flood of resolutions at the end of the session, after the senate had adjourned, and after at least a third of the lower house had gone home. We acted favorably on 12 of the 14.

The matter of making money available was simple enough in itself. We simply had to change the date the money for the fiscal year 1936-37 will be available for use. However, into the discussion crept everything from sharp criticism of the welfare program to attempts to earmark some of the money for special uses. The senate very probably put a limit on the amount to be spent between now and July 1st; and the interesting thread which ran through the other discussion was the increasing demand that a coordination of the welfare services make it possible to get workers who want to work, and who are experienced in the type of work offered, to the location of the work, without fear that by taking a job

they will completely remove themselves from relief when the job is finished.

This applies definitely to jobs offered in the farm areas, and I myself put in a resolution, which was passed unanimously, asking for better coordination between services; for transportation to get workers to jobs; for relief while waiting for jobs on arrival, and for assurance of return to the home county, or for further relief, when the job is concluded. This alone would do much to relieve the load, and build up the morale of the workers.

Within the past three months, several meetings have been held, both north and south, attempting to work out such coordination, and such a plan. Men representing the federal, state, and local relief agencies, met with men representing industry and agriculture, which latter group asked me to attend the meetings. Agriculture has been at fault, just as the agencies and the workers themselves have. Coordination is the answer.

Earmarking of money for special purposes was impossible, not only technically, under the call, but practically, as possibly making other actions invalid. These are regular session proposals, not special session.

There are 41 thousand "cases" on State relief—a case being either an individual, or a family. The figure was given as 130 thousand "cases" under Federal relief, but this figure may not be authentic. The numbers are not decreasing as rapidly as business is improving. Before the appropriations were separated, the final month found the federal government contributing 18 million dollars to state relief. State relief, in addition, runs from 1½ millions, in the summer months, to over 2 millions. This is per month.

The average case load is about \$32 per month—not much to support a family on. The federal government, in addition, supplies surplus food, equal to about \$14 per month, on an average. I am simply giving these few facts to suggest the problem, and its seriousness. One of the most interesting facts, to which too little emphasis was given, was the admission that a very large percentage of the case load in California is caused by individuals, or families, who come to California from other states, destitute, or practically so, when they arrive, and after one year's residence, become a charge on the State. So long as the federal government accepts this responsibility, we are reasonably safe; what will happen when the federal aid stops?

We continued the privilege of paying delinquent taxes (which was requested by several counties, including Riverside), and irrigation district assessments, in 10 annual installments; we corrected, slightly, the Fish and Game act; we passed the customary validation act for school district bonds—a routine matter in the first part of a regular session, also for water conservation, and sanitary districts.

We "restored corporate powers" where corporations paid back taxes; we made State warrants legal investments for various financial institutions, thus increasing their sale price and benefiting the State; but opening the way for the easier acceptance of warrants. This is a matter for serious consideration. It is advisable now; it could become a danger in the future. An unbalanced budget is not a joy to a thoughtful legislator; to make it easier to support is something to

take with caution. This must be a matter for discussion and further action in the 1937 session.

We changed the Gravenstein apple standardization to read as it read before the last session, to the amusement of those of us who advised against the change in 1935; but we declined to change back one paragraph of the tomato standardization law, desired by Orange County. I think perhaps the Assemblies would have passed the bill, but I do not know; it died in the Senate. A bill to make possible the refunding of payments under the Social Securities Act, should the national act be overthrown, was refused passage in the Assembly, quite mistakenly, I think, for this simply means we freeze in the fund all moneys contributed in California. I do not think this was understood by the labor representatives.

The real argument, and the only inter-house argument, came on the amendment to the old age pension act. In the last session we set \$20 per month minimum, \$35 per month maximum, under the California act. Some county boards have arbitrarily made the \$20 the maximum. There was nothing to do but take out the statement of intent, and make the \$35 mandatory. It means adding to county expense, but it will be balanced by lessened county relief, in many of the cases. Irrespective of cost, it was desirable, and in itself it not the final solution of this problem.

The "inter-house argument" came up when the Senate tried to smother the amendment increasing the payments to the aged; but the Assembly, after the last two sessions, has a very simple way of handling such a matter! As in the regular session, we simply announced that we would wait patiently, until the Senate had acted on our amendment, before passing the relief bill, which we were called to pass, and without which passage, we couldn't go home. After a hot discussion, the amendment passed the Senate with only 7 negative votes.

A "Sacramento Letter" these days, with increasing matters to discuss, can only hit the high spots. The sig-

nificant things are the evidence of trends; the changing opinions, as shown by the word-legislation, and methods, and by increasing interest on the part of the citizens themselves.

This is good. It would be particularly good for us to familiarize ourselves with the measures proposed for the fall election, and all the ramifications that lie back of some of these proposals. One of these days the state will be treated to some interesting disclosures. Every legislator who is sensitive to such impressions feels this stirring, and comes home rather thoughtfully from such a session as the one just held.

NO MONDAY RACING AT SANTA ANITA NEXT SEASON

There will be no racing programs on Mondays during the coming season at the Santa Anita track near Arcadia. Such was the announcement made last night by Carlton Burke, chairman of the State Racing Commission. The track will also be closed on Sundays as in the past.

Burke also stated that there was no immediate prospect of another race track in the Los Angeles district and no further permits will be issued unless there be a popular demand for such action.

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Lake Mead, the reservoir created by Boulder Dam on the Colorado River, now contains 6,000,000 acre-feet of water, a gain of 1,000,000 in 12 days.

Lake Mead is the most imposing lake in the west and the greatest man-made body of water in the world. Its length of 89½ miles exceeds that of the Great Salt Lake in Utah by nearly 10 miles. It is 333 feet deep near Boulder Dam, many times deeper than the 60-foot maximum in the Great Salt Lake.

John C. Page, acting Commissioner of Reclamation, reported to Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes that the flow of the Colorado River still is increasing with the peak of the spring flood not yet in sight. The river today is dumping water into Lake Mead at the rate of 141,000 acre-feet a day.

Meantime the total of the water stored in other Bureau Reclamation reservoirs still is rising.

"The promises of a good year on our projects are being fulfilled," Page said. "Where the storage in our reservoirs in April, Lake Mead included, totaled 6,262,359 acre-feet, the May storage is 7,966,108 acre-feet. The irrigation season now is under way, but diversions are not expected to equal

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Ralph Lowry, construction engineer at Boulder Dam, reports that a total of 16,600 acre-feet a day is being passed by Boulder Dam to meet the needs of irrigators along the lower Colorado river.

Work is going forward rapidly in connection with the installation of the generators at the Boulder power house. A total of 1,434 men is employed and the installation of the first battery of generators is 65 percent complete.

IMPORTED DESERT GAME BIRDS ARE BELIEVED TO BE SOMEWHERE IN SOUTHWEST

Somewhere in the Mojave desert there may be a number of sand grouse, but no one has reported seeing them since July of 1934, and the state department of natural resources wonders whether it should send out a searching party.

The game bird, widely distributed through the barren regions of Africa, Egypt, Persia and India, was introduced to California by M. E. Lombardi of San Francisco, who noticed them while traveling through Mesopotamia and Arabia.

Twenty-one birds were obtained from a California breeder and in March, 1934, were placed in temporary holding pens constructed near Palmdale. Later, they were released in the hope they would multiply and eventually provide California hunters with a new kind of sport.

Periodically, for three months, the birds were reported seen by civilians and game wardens. Frequently they returned to the vicinity of the pens. But since July, 1934, no one has reported any in that area.

Conservationists feared the attempt to introduce the sand grouse failed, although they admitted there was a chance that the birds found their way into the wilderness of the desert and may be living there in abundance.

The sand grouse is a medium-sized bird with short, weak legs and large, strong wings. A swift flier, it travels long distances for twice daily trips to water.

The weak legs prevent the grouse from alighting in trees or shrubbery, and he lives on the ground, preferably in dry, open deserts and plains and never in moist or wooded sections.

Because of its wariness and swift flight, it furnishes excellent sport for

hunters, according to department experts. But its habit of visiting water holes regularly has worked to the disadvantage of the species since many have been slaughtered by hunters shooting from blinds constructed at watering places.

Except for the sport of hunting them, California sportsmen have missed nothing by the birds' disappearance in the Mojave, officials believed. Although used widely as a food in foreign countries where they abound, the flesh of the sand grouse is said to be dry and lacking in flavor.

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My Commission Expires Dec. 30, 1938.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

No. 7189

ESTATE OF CLIFF FRAGER, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, by the undersigned, Ben F. White, Administrator of the Estate of Cliff Frager, Deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to file them with the necessary vouchers in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Riverside County, California, or to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers to the said Administrator at the office of his attorney, Leonard J. Difani, 3616 Main Street, Riverside, California, in the County of Riverside, within six months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated at Riverside, California, May 18, 1936.

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Pine Bench Destined to Become Playground

Now that the people of the San Geronimo Pass and the traveling public in general are denied the privilege of visiting the San Jacinto mountains unless they are willing to travel over the long and winding circuitous route via Jackrabbit Trail, San Jacinto and Hemet, they will look to the San Bernardino mountains as their summer playground.

One of the most beautiful spots in the entire San Bernardino mountain range is almost within a stone's throw of Banning. It is Pine Bench, a place so beautiful that the Los Angeles Examiner said the few "meanies" in this area who knew about it have kept it a secret and refused to share it with the rest of the world.

The people of this area who have not visited Pine Bench during the past year will be surprised when they view it now. The U. S. Forest Service, with the aid of a C. C. C. camp, has cleared away all underbrush, and installed numerous tables, benches, stoves, Dutch ovens, water hydrants, incinerators, rest rooms, etc. A large number of most desirable camp sites have been cleared beneath some of the largest pines in the mountains, and winding roads reach all points of this enchanting area.

Pine Bench is destined to become more than just a summer playground. Being more than a mile in elevation and having an abundance of snowfall in the winter, it is an ideal location for winter sports. In fact, for many years a number of Banning young men and University of Redlands students have made it a practice to go to Pine Bench for skiing, using the firebreak from Pine Bench to Camp Comfort as their course.

If a road is built from Banning to Pine Bench, the trip can be made from here in less than a half hour, or less than an hour from Palm Springs. Such a road would make Pine Bench the winter and summer playground for residents of Palm Springs and the entire desert area, as well as for many tourists who travel along the transcontinental U. S. Highways 99, 60 and 70. Thousands come to Palm Springs each winter to play, and such diversion as snow sports within an hour's ride of Palm Springs would be welcomed.

On Sunday, May 17, under the heading, "Sh-h-h; Secret Scenic Paradise Discovered," the Los Angeles Examiner devoted more than a page to Pine Bench. Following is an excerpt from the article, written by John H. C. Stingle, automobile editor of the Examiner.

I am going to be just an old meanie to about a half hundred motorists when they discover I have suggested a trip to Pine Bench.

This lovely little place has been in the "possession" of a handful of motorists who have been keeping this beauty spot to themselves for many years.

Some years ago, the story goes, a small band of Sunday recreationists "discovered" it and pledged themselves to secrecy not to reveal the hideout or even tell their friends about it.

When the Government came along some time ago and established a public camp it still remained a secret. At least, the place never became overcrowded.

So when the Examiner scout party last week-end drove into this hidden scenic paradise, and cameras began clicking, the frequenters of Pine Bench became curious and started asking questions. We soon learned that the "welcome sign" was conspicuous by its absence.

Nevertheless, by explaining that we were just camera hounds and by guarding the fact that we were motorlogue scouts, we gained the friendship of the small colony there and were admitted officially to the grounds.

What did we find there? Well, if you can, picture a mile-high mountain retreat surrounded by

stately peaks, in a forest of tall pines with the air filled with the freshest of mountain air, and winding roads hieing hither and yon over hill and dale and through picturesque meadows.

Words cannot justly describe the setting. Photographs do not "catch" the beauties. Only a personal visit will do the trick.

And before we start relating other features of the trip, it might be interesting to reveal how the Examiner scouts "discovered" Pine Bench.

Originally, we had planned to make a loop trip to Oak Glen to see the mile-high apple orchards and then return home by way of Mill Creek Canyon and Redlands. However, after we had driven a few miles out of Beaumont and were heading toward Oak Glen, a bewildered motorist asked us about the route to Pine Bench.

"Pine Bench? Never heard of it," we exclaimed.

"Well, it's up here somewhere," the inquiring motorist added. "It's one of the prettiest places in these mountains, and it's supposed to be a secret," he declared.

"Secret? Eh?" we said to ourselves.

So we just trailed our informer, and soon we approached a side road which an Automobile Club of Southern California sign stated "Pine Bench—2 Miles." There our kind friend looked around to see if the road was clear, but it wasn't.

"We made no move to turn into the same road, but went on for a short distance, where we waited for the other party to get out of sight, whereupon we turned around and speedily headed our car up toward the new "find."

Through this scenic country mile after mile of apple orchards are to be found, dotting the landscape of this picturesque mountain country nearly a mile high in elevation. Wide panoramic views keep the motorist spell-bound and full of "ohs" and "ahs" the entire time.

Upon reaching Pine Bench, which probably was named because stately pine trees are pushing their heads high into the sky on a bench of the mountain, we saw a perfect camping ground, barbecue pits, places to park comfortable trailers and plenty of places for the kiddies to romp and tear.

Climb up to Lookout Point at Pine Bench and imagine you are in an airplane. It will thrill you. Spread out your picnic paraphernalia as we did in one of the cozy nooks there and you'll say, "It's a great life."

Just to get back at those colonists again — they are the real meanies for not letting us in on the secret before. You'll say so after you have seen it.

BRIDGE OVER COLORADO RIVER NEAR PARKER IS PRESENT PLAN

Construction of a 650-foot bridge across the Colorado river, at Parker, will be considered at a public hearing called by the War Department at Blythe, June 25.

The bridge, of the fixed trestle type, is proposed by the bureau of public roads, an agency of the department of agriculture. It would be a toll span, located 190 feet south of the present Santa Fe railroad bridge across the river.

Its over-all length would be 656 feet, with 10 spans supported on piles. It would be 60 feet wide, with an elevation of 20 feet above the average flow of the river. All testimony and arguments will be submitted to the War Department, which must give final authorization for the project.

Hotel Edison in New York City is erecting a sign on Highway 99 near Banning, directing east-bound traffic. And the Easterners kid Los Angeles about long-distance advertising.—Van Nuys Tribune.

RIVERSIDE COUNTY IS FACED WITH DEMAND FOR MORE FUNDS

Relief measures occupied some time at the session of the Riverside county supervisors last Monday. "More money," as usual, was the request.

That approximately \$600 will be needed by the county department of welfare and relief to complete the fiscal year July and to set up equipment to meet the requirements of the new state old age pension law, was the declaration made to the board of supervisors.

Mrs. Jane H. Dodge, director of the department, said the work that will be involved in the administration of the new Federal-state set-up will require a new worker in the field and one in the office, in addition to another stenographer. These workers should begin their duties by June 15, she said, and new filing equipment, new typewriters and new adding machines will be required.

The requirements for the new fiscal year will be less than that for the current year, it was stated, except for state aid totaling \$84,000 which is mandatory on the county.

The county's case load as of May 1 was said to have been 524. Already 90 cases have been found to be eligible for the old age pension. Adding 60 cases pending, the total was said to be 764. A case load of 1400 was suggested as a possibility before the end of the year.

It is proposed, Mrs. Dodge stated, to have district workers stationed in four other towns in the county, Elsinore, Perris, Beaumont and Banning. It was said that the placing of full-time workers in the communities saved the county money in the end due to the closer supervision maintained.

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NATURALIST

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zled and finally in disgust grabbed the peanut again and started to fly to distant parts. The peanut popped out of his bill when the end of the thread was reached. A more startled rogue I have never seen. He returned to the limb near the suspended peanut and gave it an old fashioned cussing as I have never heard. My vocabulary is entirely inadequate to repeat what he said to that peanut. Then as if the matter were concluded in his favor he grabbed the peanut and started off again with the same result. Well, by this time we were on the verge of hysterics, and figuring some connection between us and the peanut, the bluejay included us in an extra fine outburst of bluejay cussing.

The bluejay was smart and did not try to touch that peanut again and began to show signs of distrust of our generosity. The next day we staked out a peanut on the pine needles. Mr. Bluejay discovered it, grabbed it greedily and started for a nearby limb. This time that bluejay demonstrated his reserve strength by outdoing his vociferous performance of the previous day. He did not even attempt to touch that peanut the second time.

So here we are, back again after two years, and the bluejays are going to be offered more peanuts.

Mrs. Effie Miller of St. Louis, Mo., was a week-end guest of Mrs. Zaddie Bunker.

Carl Davidson, local plumber, has been appointed sanitary inspector for the Palm Springs Sanitary District.

Science discovers that your nose, mouth and ears keep on growing and that's why your face looks different as you grow older. An interesting story in *The AMERICAN WEEKLY*, the magazine distributed with *NEXT SUNDAY'S LOS ANGELES EXAMINER*.

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"A variety of public duties, from time to time, has been entrusted to my attention by the people of Riverside county during the past 24 years. This experience and the privilege that has been mine of an extensive acquaintance with the people of our county engaged in civil work and community service are the qualifications

I have to offer for faithful representation of our county at Sacramento.

"My especial interest and attention will be devoted to any measure that will make California a more safe and enjoyable place for our boys and girls of today to grow up and become happy, useful and patriotic citizens of our glorious state.

"I would esteem it a great favor to represent Riverside county on the floor of the legislature and after careful inquiry of my friends throughout the county I have decided to enter my name for the primary nomination of my party.

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